Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty, and concern for others; and,

Whereas, Reverend Roger Easland has served as Pastor of the First Congregational Church of Pierre for 14 years and will retire on April 8, 2007; and,

Whereas, Reverend Easland actively participated in community activities and on numerous occasions provided opening prayers for sessions of the South Dakota State Legislature; and,

Whereas, Reverend Easland, because of his farm and ranch background, shows great empathy for the difficulties of farming and ranching; and,

Whereas, Reverend Easland ministers to the needs of local prisoners and gives support to Native Americans and their churches in central South Dakota with his involvement in the Oahe Association; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to make special note of this outstanding South Dakotan on the occasion of his retirement as his congregation gathers to honor him on April 1, 2007:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 1, 2007, as

REVEREND ROGER EASLAND DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirtieth Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State